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# SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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**The Advice and Consent of Terrence D. Grey will not be heard at this time**

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Thursday, May 18, 2023

**TIME:** Rise of the Senate

**PLACE:** Room 313 - State House

## SCHEDULED FOR ADVICE AND CONSENT

Appointment of Christopher J. Behan (Representing the City of Newport) to the Fort Adams Foundation for a term expiring January 31, 2026.

Appointment of Christopher B. Zeeman (Representing the Fort Adams Trust Board of Directors) VICE Andrew Eric Offenbergl to the Fort Adams Foundation for a term expiring January 31, 2026.

Appointment of John S. Justo VICE Deborah Thomas to the Rhode Island Airport Corporation for a term expiring June 1, 2025.

~~Appointment of Terrence D. Gray (Representing the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management) VICE Janet Coit to the Fort Adams Foundation for a term expiring January 31, 2026.~~

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [6329](#)**

**BY Blazejewski**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC2874/1}

(Allows Puya Joseph Nili to join Jacqueline Azniv Kazarian and Chad Erik Austino in marriage on or about October 8, 2023, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)

04/26/2023 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

04/28/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/02/2023 Committee recommends passage

05/02/2023 Placed on House Calendar

05/04/2023 House read and passed

05/05/2023 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [893](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Quezada, Ujifusa, Tikoian, LaMountain, Cano**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS --

LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS--USE OF LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS IN LEGAL

PROCEEDINGS {LC2517/1} (Ensures that communications between court appointed interpreters

and limited-English-proficient individuals involved in legal proceedings in the courts are confidential.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [895](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY McKenney, Burke, LaMountain, F. Lombardi, Zurier**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- POWER OF OFFICERS TO ADMINISTER OATHS {LC2523/1} (Adds active magistrates and retired and active justices of the worker's compensation court to those public officers and employees authorized to administer oaths within the State of Rhode Island.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [896](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Quezada, Ujifusa, Tikoian, LaMountain, Cano**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- JURY LISTS {LC2512/1} (Amends the jury list and jury qualification statutes to add individuals receiving public assistance benefits to the list of individuals sent to the state's jury commissioner on a yearly basis.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [897](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY McKenney, Burke, LaMountain, F. Lombardi, Zurier**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE IN PARTICULAR ACTIONS -- SMALL CLAIMS AND CONSUMER CLAIMS {LC2519/1} (Provides a set filing fee to the parties, allow for a party to be made financially whole depending upon who files an appeal, and allow for electronic filing.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [901](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Burke, Raptakis, Tikoian, Britto, McKenney**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- FALSE IMPERSONATION {LC2515/1} (Provides that state court clerks be added to the list of public officers for whom falsely assuming their identity would be a criminal offense.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [903](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Euer**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- DISTRICT COURT PRACTICE {LC2518/1} (Amends the filing fees and time frame for certain claims of appeal to superior court.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [906](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Euer**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS {LC2521/1} (Amends the current time frame for automatic sealing of criminal cases in the district court.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [898](#)**

(Judiciary)

**BY Sosnowski, Tikoian, F. Lombardi, Euer, Raptakis**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --

MISCELLANEOUS RULES {LC2532/1} (Clarifies that the use of a wireless communication device for the purpose of navigation must be while the device is mounted or otherwise affixed to the vehicle and not held in the motorist's hand.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [129](#)**

**BY Cano, Ciccone, Quezada, Lawson, DiPalma, Burke, Murray, Acosta, Euer, Kallman**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- REGULATION OF SALES -- STATE IDENTIFICATION CARDS {LC269/1} (Allows the division of motor vehicles to issue a state identification card to residents unable to establish lawful presence in the United States upon proof of residence in this state and a tax identification number.)

02/01/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [338](#)**

**BY Burke, LaMountain, Tikoian**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND SECURITY INTERESTS {LC1852/1} (Requires that all vehicle model years prior to 2002 would not be required to be issued a title certificate until ownership is transferred or the current owner creates a security interest in the vehicle.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [807](#)**

**BY Zurier, Picard, F. Lombardi**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - DEALERS', MANUFACTURERS', AND RENTAL LICENSES {LC2539/1} (Provides additional relief for customers harmed by violations committed by motor vehicle dealers which relief would include restitution, incidental and consequential damages, exemplary damages and reasonable attorneys' fees.)

03/23/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [644](#)**

**BY Euer, DiPalma, Felag**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS --RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY {LC2147/1} (Extends the repayment period for toll violations, and requires the RI transit and bridge authority to notify frequent violators by certified mail that their driver's license may be in jeopardy for failure to pay toll violations.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [735](#)**

(RI Turnpike and Bridge Authority)

**BY Ujifusa, Euer, Lauria, DiPalma, Tikoian, Zurier, Miller, Cano, Britto, Quezada**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- RHODE ISLAND TURNPIKE AND BRIDGE AUTHORITY {LC1581/1} (Extends the time for payment of toll violations from fourteen (14) days to thirty (30) days from the issuance of the violation.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [359](#)**

**BY F. Lombardi, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Rogers, E Morgan, Pearson**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SNOWMOBILES AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES {LC1604/1} (Provides that the director of department of environment management shall by January 1, 2024 designate areas where operating recreational vehicles shall be permitted.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [361](#)**

**BY Zurier, Ciccone, F. Lombardi, Picard, Britto**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SNOWMOBILES AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES {LC818/1} (Creates fines and misdemeanor penalties for any person driving or operating a recreational vehicle on a local highway unless permitted by ordinance or exempted as a permitted crossing. Requires operators to obey all traffic laws while on local highways.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:**

\*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, May 18, 2023, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

**TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION**

The meeting will be televised by Capitol Television on: Cox Communications, channels 15 and 61 for high definition; i3Broadband (Formerly Full Channel) on 15; and Verizon, on channel 34. Livestreaming is available at

<https://www.rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx>.

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